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Nine cases of smallpox are reported as having occurred in Lima during the month of December, 1906.

Bills of health from Chile report as follows: Antofagasta, 4 cases of smallpox with 2 deaths, and 3 cases of plague with 1 death, in two weeks ended December 24; Coquimbo, 16 cases of smallpox with 1 death in two weeks ended December 22; Iquique, smallpox still present.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Report from Manila—Inspection and disinfection of vessels—Cholera in the provinces.

Chief Quarantine Officer Heiser reports, December 20, as follows:

Week ended December 15, 1906. No quarantinable diseases reported for the city of Manila.

During the same period cholera was reported from the provinces as follows:

Province.	Cases.	Deaths.
Samar	7	3
Negros Occidental	11	7
Capiz	11	12
Total	29	22

A few cases of cholera are reported from Catubig, Samar, and vicinity, as well as a few cases from Negros Occidental.

During the week vessels were granted consular bills of health as follows:

On December 15 the U. S. army transport *Logan*, with 178 crew and 218 passengers, was granted a consular bill of health for San Francisco via Nagasaki and Honolulu. Crew and steerage passengers were bathed and their effects and baggage disinfected. Cargo certified after the usual disinfection or inspection. All persons inspected on board at Mariveles at the hour of sailing.

PORTO RICO.

Report from Ponce—Mortality, month of December, 1906.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Ferrer-Torres reports, January 16, as follows:

Number and causes of deaths in Ponce jurisdiction, during the month of December, 1906.

Diseases of—	
Digestive system	41
Nervous system	6
Circulatory system	6
Respiratory system	23
Grippe	12
Malarial fever	7
Anaemia	2
Nephritis	4
Congenital malformation	1
Cancer	3
Tetanus	7
Puerperal fever	2
Measles	1
Syphilis	1
Old age	7
Tuberculosis	27
Rheumatic fever	2
Enteric fever	1
Uncinariasis	5
Erysipelas	1
Rickets	4
Total	163
December, 1905:	
Deaths	130